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SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (SNSP) FACTS AND FIGURES 2020-21

In January 2021, 121 private schools were participating in the SNSP with a total enrollment of 1,488 students or 1,465.7 full-time equivalent (FTE) in the program.* In the 2020-21 school year, the SNSP state aid for a full scholarship student is \$12,977 per FTE unless a school submitted a Statement of Actual Cost of the services provided during the 2019-20 school year for the pupil. If the school submitted a Statement of Actual Cost, the 2020-21 payment for the pupil is based on the costs in the statement. For each partial scholarship** student the department pays participating private schools \$8,300 per FTE for students in grades kindergarten through eight and \$8,946 per FTE for students in grades nine through twelve.

All pupils participating in the SNSP must identify their resident public school district (the public school district where they reside). State law requires public school districts to have their state general aid reduced by an amount equal to the amount paid by the state to participating private schools attributable to the SNSP pupils residing in the district except for students with a Statement of Actual Cost. If a school submits a Statement of Actual Cost, up to 150% of the full scholarship per pupil payment (\$19,466 in 2020-21) of the actual costs are funded through an aid reduction from the pupil's resident school district. In addition, the private school receives 90% of the actual costs over 150% of the full scholarship per pupil payment, which are funded directly from the state with state general purpose revenue. If a resident public school district does not receive general aid payments sufficient to cover the SNSP pupil aid reduction, the balance would be reduced from other state aids received by the district. SNSP pupils are included in their resident public school district's membership for state general aid purposes in the following year. Districts may not levy to backfill the aid reduction. However, they receive a non-recurring revenue limit exemption equal to their state general aid reduction.

The table below shows the SNSP enrollment by grade level for the 3^{rd} Friday in September 2020 count date and the 2^{nd} Friday in January 2021 count date. The number of students listed in the table are reported by headcount and FTE. For example, a four-year-old kindergarten student may be counted as 0.5 or 0.6 FTE.

SNSP 2020-21 Enrollment by Grade Level*				
Grade Level	3rd Friday in September 2020		2nd Friday in January 2021	
	<u>Headcount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	Headcount	FTE
4 Year-Old Kindergarten	38	20	48	25.7
5 Year-Old Kindergarten	129	129	142	142
1 st Grade	132	132	133	133
2 nd Grade	123	123	130	130
3 rd Grade	134	134	140	140
4 th Grade	98	98	105	105
5 th Grade	112	112	117	117
6 th Grade	119	119	127	127
7 th Grade	113	113	120	120
8 th Grade	84	84	82	82
9 th Grade	108	108	119	119
10 th Grade	92	92	92	92
11 th Grade	75	75	79	79
12 th Grade	55	55	54	54
Totals	1,412	1,394	1,488	1,465.7

^{*} These numbers are as of October 2021 and are subject to change.

^{**} Students who have been determined to no longer have a disability receive a partial scholarship beginning in the school year following the determination.